

**Refuting The Lie Concerning The Excuse of Ignorance  
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**What is the excuse of ignorance?**

**There is a misconception floating around in the ummah today  
And that is: If a person should commit shirk of worshipping a false deity,  
Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) will let him off on the Day Of Recompense  
Because while he was in the dunya, he didn't know what he was doing  
He was ignorant of the fact that he was committing shirk  
They think Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) will give him Paradise  
The wicked scholars are the ones promoting this dodgy ideology**

**This concept is wrong and weird**

**We will refute it with Quran and Sunnah and the fatawa of the Classical Scholars**

**When we ask the wicked scholars for their evidence for this claim**

**As we all know that a pagan cannot be a Muslim and vice versa  
For you to call a person a mushrik, he has to commit major shirk not minor shirk  
A kafir has to commit major kufr for him to be pronounced kafir  
So for them to make excuse for major shirk is unfounded**

**They give the hadith of Dhat Anwaat as their evidence**

**Abu Waqid Laythi reported that when the Prophet (SAW) went out for the Battle of Hunayn, he passed by a tree belonging to the polytheists. It was known as dhaat anwat. They used to hang down their weapons over it. The sahabah said, "O Messenger of Allah, (SAW) make for us a dhaat anwat as there is for them a dhaat anwat." He said, "Glory be to Allah! This is as what the people of Musa (AS) said, "Make for us a god as there is for them a god. By Him who has my soul in His Hand, you will perpetrate the practices of the people gone before you." [Sunan Tirmidhi (4/475) No. 2180 and Musnad Ahmad (5/21) No. 21947]**

**The Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) took the new reverts with him**

**To the Battle of Hunayn**

**They asked for a tree to hang their swords for Baraka like the kuffaar had a tree they hang their swords for Baraka and he (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) didn't make takfir on them  
They say these people committed major shirk and because they were new reverts,  
The Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) refused to make takfir on him  
This 'proves' that there is excuse of ignorance for shirk**

**We are going to refute their UNDERSTANDING of this hadith NOT the hadith itself  
Because they put a spin on this hadith**

**We say to them the scholars are of the opinion that what they did was MINOR SHIRK**

No scholar say they did major shirk  
If they had committed major shirk, the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam)  
Would have told them to retake their shahadah  
Because he did not tell them to retake their shahada, it is minor shirk  
These people asked the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) to bless the tree for them  
They were thinking they would get blessings for hanging their swords on the tree  
If the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) blessed the tree

There are two types of resemblance: Partial and Complete  
This is an example of a partial resemblance

One day the wives of the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam)  
Requested something from him  
He said they were like the women of Prophet Yusuf ('alayhi salam)  
These women were attracted to Yusuf ('alayhi salam) by his handsomeness  
They wanted to commit zina with him and were bent on doing it  
The rasul (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) comparing them to his wives (radiyallahu 'anhun)  
Doesn't mean that he was accusing his wives (radiyallahu 'anhun) of that  
What he (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) meant was that they are strong willed  
Not that they wanted zina  
This is an example of PARTIAL resemblance

When Umar (radiyallahu 'anhu) conquered Palestine  
He was offered to pray in a church by the Christians  
He did not do it because he did not want the Ummah to establish jummah in a Church  
He wanted them to establish their own masjid

On the Day when their faces will be turned over in the Fire, they will say: "Oh, would that we had obeyed Allāh and obeyed the Messenger (Muhammad SAW)." (Al-Ahzab 33:66)

And they will say: "Our Lord! Verily, we obeyed our chiefs and our great ones, and they misled us from the (Right) Way. (Al-Ahzab 33:67)

Our Lord! give them double torment and curse them with a mighty curse!" (Al-Ahzab 33:68)

Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) has refuted this concept that  
A person who is a mushrik can be a muslim at the same time  
These people in the ayah followed their leaders and committed shirk  
And yet He (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) didn't let them off the hook

Another evidence is 2:166-167

When those who were followed, disown (declare themselves innocent of) those who followed (them), and they see the torment, then all their relations will be cut off from them. (Al-Baqarah 2:166)

And those who followed will say: "If only we had one more chance to return (to the worldly life), we would disown (declare ourselves as innocent from) them as they have disowned (declared themselves as innocent from) us." Thus Allāh will show them their deeds as regrets for them. And they will never get out of the Fire. (Al-Baqarah 2:167)

This is an example of people who blind follow others  
You cannot blind follow a scholar (especially a wicked scholar)  
Some preach democracy, praying to the grave and some hate the dawla  
Only Anwar Al Awlaki (rahimahullah) and Shaikh Ahmad Musa Jibril (hafidhahullah)  
Are English speaking scholars who speak haqq  
Some of you follow them and want to use ignorance as an excuse on the Day Of Judgement  
But Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) will dump you and  
The wicked scholars together in the hellfire

**37:31-37 is another evidence**

"So now the Word of our Lord has been justified against us, that we shall certainly (have to) taste (the torment). (As-Saffat 37:31)

"So we led you astray because we were ourselves astray." (As-Saffat 37:32)

Then verily, that Day, they will (all) share in the torment. (As-Saffat 37:33)

Certainly, that is how We deal with AlMujrimûn (polytheists, sinners, criminals, the disobedient to Allāh, etc.). (As-Saffat 37:34)

Truly, when it was said to them: Lā ilāha ill-Allāh "(none has the right to be worshipped but Allāh)," they puffed themselves up with pride (i.e. denied it). (As-Saffat 37:35)

And (they) said: "Are we going to abandon our āliha (gods) for the sake of a mad poet? (As-Saffat 37:36)

Nay! he (Muhammad SAW) has come with the truth (i.e. Allāh's Religion - Islāmic Monotheism and this Qur'ān) and he confirms the Messengers (before him who brought Allāh's religion - Islāmic Monotheism). (As-Saffat 37:37)

In these ayaat, Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) is telling you that  
You are going to blame the wicked scholars for leading you astray  
But the wicked scholars will denounce you

**The other evidence is 98:1**

Those who disbelieve from among the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians) and among Al-Mushrikûn, were not going to leave (their disbelief) until there came to them clear evidence. (Al-Baiyinah 98:1)

**Look at the ayah carefully**

In this ayah, Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) is making takfir on the Jews and Christians  
Even before you (the Muslim) take the evidence to them  
So whether you have given them dawah or not they are kuffaar  
As Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) told you the above ayah

**Ibn Taymiyyah (rahimahullah) said the word pagan existed even  
Before the advent of the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam)**

**Ibn Taymiyyah stated: "When mentioning Huud (alayhi's-salam), he notifies what had been said to his tribe: "... ye do nothing but invent!" (Huud 11:50) Before passing Hukm of them with what they had opposed him with, he characterized them as slanderers. The reason for this was because they had taken on other deities besides Allah. Without doubt the attribute of Mushrik had been fixed before Risalah. Before such Risalah they had been making Shirk**

against their Rabb, they had been associating partners to Allah and they had taken on other deities and other nidds (\*Nidds are things which represent that which is loved more than Allah; things which are made into measures. For a thing to be a nidd it does not have to be a special existence). This shows that these attributes have been fixed before Risalah. Just like the names Jahl and Jaahiliyyah. Likewise before the arrival of Rasulullah the era had been called Jaahiliyyah and those affiliated as Jahl. However punishment is not the same, because turning faces was only to run/escape from obedience. Just as the following Ayah: "But on the contrary, he rejected Truth and turned away!" (al-Qiyamah 75:32) And a situation as such is only possible with the arrival of the message." [Majmu al-Fatawa, (20/37-38)]

"...the attribute of Mushrik had been fixed before Risalah"... Risalah means prophethood  
Nidd means you love something more than Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala)  
Example the super bowl makes you miss your salah (Nidd is the super bowl)

The people who say that there is an excuse for ignorance quote a hadith  
Regarding a woman who slept with her slave boy  
And yet Umar (radiyallahu 'anhu) didn't punish her

On the authority of Qataada who said: "A woman slept with her male servant and cited an ayah of the Holy Qur'an as her evidence for her action. '...or the (female) slaves whom their right hands possess...' (An-Nur 24:31). This woman was brought to Umar ibn al-Khattab (RA) by a group of Sahabas who complained to Umar that she misinterpreted a verse from the Holy Qur'an and slept with her male servant. Umar commanded that the male servant should be sent away for a year and he was beheaded. He then said to the woman you are now haram for all Muslims." [Tafseer al-Tabari (9/586) No. 11277]

If this is your evidence, it is weak. The woman did not commit shirk - she committed zina  
You have to be sharp when debating these wicked scholars  
Else they will bring evidence unrelated to the topic

Anas Ibn Malik narrated the Messenger of Allah (SAW) said: "A believer is shrewd, sharp and careful." [Quda'ee (d. 454 H) in 'Musnad al-Shihab' (Vol. 1 pg. 107) No. 128]

A believer is sharp

Ahmed ibn Hanbal (rahimahullah) said most mistakes are made with the wrong qiyas  
This is an example of the wrong qiyas

The ummah of Muhammad (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) has 3 grave worshippers  
Berailvis, Shiites and Sufis  
No body hates Muslims like these people  
You are not allowed to give the excuse of ignorance to these people  
Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) Himself made takfir on the grave worshippers  
The Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) asked Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala)  
Not to make his grave an idol that is worshipped

Yahya related to me from Malik from Zayd ibn Aslam from Ata ibn Yasar that the Messenger of Allah (SAW) said, "O Allah! Do not make my grave an idol that is worshipped. The anger on those who took the graves of their Prophets as places of prostration was terrible."

[Muwatta Malik (1/223) No. 570, Musannaf Abdur Razzaq (1/406) No. 1587, Musnad Ahmad (2/246) No. 7352]

There is an ayah in the Quran where Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) made takfir on the grave worshippers

If you invoke (or call upon) them, they hear not your call, and if (in case) they were to hear, they could not grant it (your request) to you. And on the Day of Resurrection, they will disown your worshipping them. And none can inform you (O Muhammad SAW) like Him Who is the AllKnower (of each and everything)[]. (Fatir 35:14)

Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) here tells you that these grave worshippers:

Berailvis, Shiites and Sufis are kuffaar and liars

You say they are your brothers because they say shahada - your argument is weak

Some of you recite the shahada and nullify it with your kufr, shirk

Wouldn't you break ties with your friend if he tried to kiss your wife behind your back?

Relationships can be broken between Muslims

Relationships between a man and his wife can be broken

This is called a divorce

Marriage is a contract and can be broken if things aren't working out

Likewise the relationship between man and Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) can be broken

We also have a covenant with Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) which can be broken

And (remember) when your Lord brought forth from the Children of Adam, from their loins, their seed (or from Adam's loins his offspring) and made them testify as to themselves (saying): "Am I not your Lord?" They said: "Yes! We testify," lest you should say on the Day of Resurrection: "Verily, we have been unaware of this." (Al-A'raf 7:172)

Or lest you should say: "It was only our fathers afortime who took others as partners in worship along with Allāh, and we were (merely their) descendants after them; will You then destroy us because of the deeds of men who practised Al-Bātil (i.e. polytheism and committing crimes and sins, invoking and worshipping others besides Allāh)?" (Tafsir At-Tabari). (Al-A'raf 7:173)

This is another example of why you cannot use ignorance as an excuse

Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) made you testify in the above ayaat

You should be sharp with your hujjah

A swine (Saudi Salafi) once said to me that he did not want to debate me

But wanted to debate one of my students

So you have to be sharp with the hujjah

He thinks you don't know the hujjahs

A pagan cannot be a Muslim and 7:172-173 is the hujjah

Another evidence is the hadith about the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) father

Narrated from Anas (RA) that a man said: "O Messenger of Allah, where is my father?" He said: "In Hell." When he turned away he called him back and said: "My father and your father are in Hell." [Sahih Muslim (Vol. 1, pg. 191) No. 203]

Even though the Prophet's (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) father died before Islam,  
He dabbled in idol worshipping – he didn't follow the religion of Ibrahim ('alayhi salam)  
Because there is no excuse of ignorance for worshipping a false deity  
Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) took you from the loins of Adam ('alayhi salam)  
And made you testify so that on the Day Of Judgement you cannot use the excuse of  
ignorance

Malik – the keeper of hell will ask the questions below to those in hell

It almost bursts up with fury. Every time a group is cast therein, its keeper will ask: "Did no  
warner come to you?" (Al-Mulk 67:8)

They will say: "Yes indeed; a warner did come to us, but we belied him and said: 'Allāh never  
sent down anything (of revelation), you are only in great error.'" (Al-Mulk 67:9)

And they will say: "Had we but listened or used our intelligence, we would not have been  
among the dwellers of the blazing Fire!" (Al-Mulk 67:10)

Then they will confess their sin. So, away with the dwellers of the blazing Fire. (Al-Mulk  
67:11)

This is another ayah to say you cannot use the excuse of ignorance

At the treaty of Hudabiyyah, the kuffaar objected to writing 'Bismillah ir-Rahman ir-Raheem'  
They claim that was shirk and gods besides Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala)

"...Suhail said to the Prophet "Please conclude a peace treaty with us." So, the Prophet  
called the clerk and said to him, "Write: **بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ** 'Bismillah ir-Rahman ir-  
Raheem' (In the Name of Allah, the most Beneficent, the most Merciful)." Suhail said, "As  
for **الرَّحْمَنِ** 'ar-Rahman (Beneficent), by Allah, I do not know what it means. So write: **يَا سَمِيكَ**  
**اللَّهُمَّ** 'ismika Allahumma' (By Your Name O Allah)..." [al-Bukhari: (3/54) (2731) and Muslim  
(1784)]

These demands were made by kuffaar who worship 360 idols!  
When the time came they returned their fitrah  
People today continue to speak of this historic treaty

So set you (O Muhammad SAW) your face towards the religion of pure Islāmic Monotheism  
Hanifa (worship none but Allāh Alone) Allāh's Fitrah (i.e. Allāh's Islāmic Monotheism), with  
which He has created mankind. No change let there be in Khalqillāh (i.e. the Religion of Allāh  
Islāmic Monotheism), that is the straight religion, but most of men know not. [Tafsir At-  
Tabarī, Vol 21, Page 41] (Ar-Rum 30:30)

30:30 is the evidence that shows you the natural instincts of mankind

The other evidence to use is Abu Bakr (radiyallahu 'anhu)  
He never worshipped idols  
He said how can he worship something made by his own hands  
Uthman (radiyallahu 'anhu) didn't worship idols either  
They understood that their God should make them, not the other way around

**The other hujjah is called the story of the ship in surah Ankabut**

**And when they embark on a ship, they invoke Allāh, making their Faith pure for Him only, but when He brings them safely to land, behold, they give a share of their worship to others. (Al-'Ankabut 29:65)**

**These pagans were on a ship, and when they realised they were going to die  
They called on Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) alone not idols  
Because they knew a piece of stone could not save them from drowning  
Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) said after He saved them from drowning  
They returned to worshipping idols  
But when they thought they were about to die,  
They went back to their natural instincts and prayed to Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) alone**

**Some of you will say you cannot make takfir on the grave worshippers  
Until you have established the hujjah but the hujjah has already been established  
Because you will claim that these Pakistanis, Bengalis, Turkish don't know Arabic  
Hence they don't know the meaning of the "SHAHADA"  
This is a hujjah against them not a hujjah for them  
The Shahadah has seven conditions and the first condition is to know the meaning  
Even if he doesn't speak Arabic  
He is a kaafir if he doesn't know the meaning of the shahada  
We say to you that the hujjah has been established**

**If you don't know the meaning of 1:5, you are a Muslim by culture - not conviction  
Muslims by culture dabble in major shirk**

**You (Alone) we worship, and You (Alone) we ask for help (for each and everything). (Al-Fatihah 1:5)**

**Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) refers to them as liars and kuffaar in 39:3**

**Surely, the religion (i.e. the worship and the obedience) is for Allah only. And those who take Auliya' (protectors and helpers) besides Him (say) : "We worship them only that they may bring us near to Allah." Verily, Allah will judge between them concerning that wherein they differ. Truly, Allah guides not him who is a liar, and a disbeliever. (Az-Zumar 39:3)**

**You make the claim (1:5) 17 times a day, yet you worship the grave  
It is haram to pray behind these people**

**The wicked scholars brought the following Ayah to support their claim**

**And We never punish until We have sent a Messenger (to give warning). (Al-Isra 17:15)**

**This ayah is speaking about the people of Noah ('alayhi salam)  
Who were destroyed by the flood**

**Secondly, in the Quran Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) made takfir on the Jews and the Christians before you took the hujjah to them**

**Those who disbelieve from among the people of the Scripture (Jews and Christians) and among Al-Mushrikun, were not going to leave (their disbelief) until there came to them clear evidence. (Al-Baiyinah 98:1)**

**Abu Yusuf narrated from Imam Abu Hanifah: "Abu Hanifah stated: No servant (abd) has an excuse regarding knowledge of his Rabb due to ignorance. All creatures must know their Rabb and make Tawhid. The reason for this is that they see the created sky, the creation of themselves and all things Allah created. When it comes to the Fardh; regarding those who do not know them and related news had not reached them, means that evidence had not been stable as Hukm (i.e., an Ayah had not been revealed yet, or a Hadith had not been stated yet etc.)." [Badai'u's-Sanai, (7/132)]**

**Abu Hanifah (rahimahullah) doesn't believe in the excuse of ignorance**

**THE COUNSEL OF NICAEA [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First\\_Council\\_of\\_Nicaea](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/First_Council_of_Nicaea)**

**At this counsel the Christians decided to make Isa ('alayhi salam) God  
This was when they introduced the trinity  
God the Father, god the Son and god the holy spirit  
There is only one holy spirit - the Angel Gabriel ('alayhi salam)  
They believe that these three Gods are co-equals  
The only reason Allah ('alayhi salam) didn't call them pagans in the Quran is  
Because He called them People of the Book  
This doesn't mean that they are not pagans  
This means they can live in the Islamic State,  
You can marry their woman and eat their slaughter  
Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) used hikma in the Quran by not calling them pagans  
The Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) called them pagans**

**It has been narrated on the authority of A'isha, wife of the Holy Prophet (SAW), who said: The Messenger of Allah (SAW) set out for Badr. When he reached Harrat-ul-Wabara (a place four miles from Medina) a man met him who was known for his valour and courage. The Companions of the Messenger of Allah (SAW) were pleased to see him. He said: I have come so that I may follow you and get a share from the booty. The Messenger of Allah (SAW) said to him: Do you believe in Allah and His Messenger? He said: No. The Messenger of Allah (SAW) said: Go back, I will not seek help from a Mushrik (polytheist). He went on until we reached Shajara, where the man met him again. He asked him the same question again and the man gave him the same answer. He said: Go back. I will not seek help from a Mushrik. The man returned and overtook him at Baida'. He asked him as he had asked previously: Do you believe in Allah and His Messenger? The man said: Yes. The Messenger of Allah (SAW) said to him: Then come along with us. [Sahih Muslim (3/1449) No. 1817]**

**Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) eluded to the fact that they were pagans in 9:31**

**They (Jews and Christians) took their rabbis and their monks to be their lords besides Allāh (by obeying them in things which they made lawful or unlawful according to their own desires without being ordered by Allāh), and (they also took as their Lord) Messiah, son of Maryam (Mary), while they (Jews and Christians) were commanded [in the Taurāt (Torah) and the Injeel (Gospel)] to worship none but One Ilāh (God - Allāh) Lā ilāha illa Huwa (none**



has the right to be worshipped but He)[]. Praise and glory be to Him, (far above is He) from having the partners they associate (with Him)." (At-Tawbah 9:31)

Because of the counsel of Nicaea, Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) has made takfir on the Christians

Surely, in disbelief are they who say that Allāh is the Messiah, son of Maryam (Mary). Say (O Muhammad SAW): "Who then has the least power against Allāh, if He were to destroy the Messiah, son of Maryam (Mary), his mother, and all those who are on the earth together?" And to Allāh belongs the dominion of the heavens and the earth, and all that is between them. He creates what He wills. And Allāh is Able to do all things. (Al-Ma'idah 5:17)

Surely, they have disbelieved who say: "Allāh is the Messiah ['Iesa (Jesus)], son of Maryam (Mary)." But the Messiah ['Iesa (Jesus)] said: "O Children of Israel! Worship Allāh, my Lord and your Lord." Verily, whosoever sets up partners in worship with Allāh, then Allāh has forbidden Paradise for him, and the Fire will be his abode. And for the Zālimûn (polytheists and wrongdoers) there are no helpers. (Al-Ma'idah 5:72)

Surely, disbelievers are those who said: "Allāh is the third of the three (in a Trinity)." But there is no ilāh (god) (none who has the right to be worshipped) but One Ilāh (God -Allāh). And if they cease not from what they say, verily, a painful torment will befall the disbelievers among them. (Al-Ma'idah 5:73)

This is Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) making takfir on the Christians

What if a Christian is a Unitarian Christian? Is he still a kafir?  
Yes, because they don't believe in Muhammad (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam)  
If you reject Muhammad (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam), you are a 5 star kaafir

"By Him (Allah) in Whose Hand Muhammad's soul is, there is none from amongst the Jews and the Christians (of these present nations) who hears about me and then dies without believing in the Message with which I have been sent (i.e. Islamic Monotheism), but he will be from the dwellers of the (Hell) Fire." (Sahih Muslim, the Book of Faith, Vol.1, Hadith No.153. S.S.M.H 20).

A Jew is also a Unitarian, yet he is a kafir  
The Jews only worship Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala)  
The man who dies without hearing about Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) or Islam, Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) will ask him certain questions on the Day Of Judgement  
And based upon the answers he provides, He will give him either Paradise or Hellfire

There are some people in Papua New Guinea  
They eat people (cannibals) and worship the spirits and ancestors  
Will you call them muslims? Ok marry your daughters to them  
Don't call mushrikeen Muslims  
Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) asked you a question in 68:35-36

Shall We then treat the (submitting) Muslims like the Mujrimûn (criminals, polytheists and disbelievers, etc.)? (Al-Qalam 68:35)  
What is the matter with you? How judge you? (Al-Qalam 68:36)

**Question 1: Is a kaafir the same as a mushrik and vice versa? What is the difference? It seems they are all mushrikeen and kuffar.**

**Answer 1: Every kaafir is a Mushrik and every Musrik is a kaafir  
Even though Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) didn't call Jews and Christians mushrikeen in the Quran, it doesn't mean they are not mushrikeen  
Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) eluded to the fact that they are mushrikeen  
And the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) called them mushrikeen**

**Go back, I will not seek help from a Mushrik (polytheist). He went on until we reached Shajara, where the man met him again. He asked him the same question again and the man gave him the same answer. He said: Go back. I will not seek help from a Mushrik. The man returned and overtook him at Baida'. He asked him as he had asked previously: Do you believe in Allah and His Messenger? The man said: Yes. The Messenger of Allah (SAW) said to him: Then come along with us. [Sahih Muslim (3/1449) No. 1817]**

**Question 2: Is Ahmad Musa Jibril (hafidhahullah) a scholar upon haqq in the West?**

**Answer 2: Yes, he is upon haqq as well as Anwar Al Awlaki (rahimahullah)**

**Question 3: Salaamu Alaikum Sheikh. What is the best method of studying Islam? Sheikh Anwar Awlaki (rahimahullah) said read the Quran every day and go straight to books of hadith. What do you suggest?**

**Answer 3: You need a person who is qualified in aqeeda and fiqh to teach you your deen  
Because anyone whose book becomes his shaikh, the shaytan becomes his shaikh  
The Angel Gabriel ('alayhi salam) was the Shaikh of the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam)  
He taught the Prophet (Salallahu 'Alayhi wa sallam) how to pray and recite the Quran properly  
Only Allah (Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala) has no shaikh**

**...but over all those endowed with knowledge is the All-Knowing (Allāh). (Yusuf 12:76)**

**Question 4: Does Sheikh Faisal accept students? Can we travel to meet him and study with him, as he says we need someone qualified in aqeeda and fiqh.**

**Answer 4: I haven't established an institute to have people sleep over as yet**

**You are welcome to come for holiday but not long term  
Because of modern day technology you can get knowledge on the internet  
So you can study with me on Paltalk or listen to my lectures online**

**Question 5: Which scholars of haqq do you suggest we should listen to?  
Besides Anwar Al Awlaki (rahimahullah) and Ahmad Jibril (hafidhahullah)?  
And would this be classed as studying under them or would it need to be  
personal?**

**Answer 5: You do not have to be with the shaikh in flesh - technology makes it possible  
These are the scholars you should listen to  
The former died upon the haqq and the latter is upon it  
We pray he dies upon the haqq too  
Brothers from Al Muhajeroon are also upon the haqq**

**Question 6: Asalaaamu alaykum shaikh, can you do a talk on darul harb?**

**Answer 6: I abstain from this topic because Muslims can't handle it**